

Information on the Web

For additional fact sheets, brochures, and publications on biosecurity, please refer to the following U.S. Department of Agriculture websites:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/lpa/pubs/fsheet_faq_notice/fs_ahanthrax.html
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/lpa/pubs/fsheet_faq_notice/fs_ahfmfair.html
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/lpa/pubs/fsheet_faq_notice/fs_ahend.html
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/lpa/pubs/fsheet_faq_notice/fs_ahlpai.html
http://www.aphis.usda.gov/lpa/pubs/fsheet_faq_notice/fs_ahavianflu.html
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Protecting Livestock and Poultry in Wisconsin



An outbreak of a foreign animal disease in the United States could seriously damage the domestic livestock and poultry industries. For example, eradication of exotic Newcastle disease in the United States in 2003 resulted in the destruction of more than 3.5 million birds and cost state and federal taxpayers more than \$104.5 million. That's not counting the cost to farmers themselves.

Keeping these serious animal diseases out of the United States is the responsibility of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's (APHIS) Veterinary Services (VS) unit. Within VS, the Emergency Programs (EP) staff provides expertise on exotic animal diseases, ensures adequate disease surveillance within the United States, maintains a high level of emergency preparedness, and provides the needed resources to respond to and eliminate disease outbreaks in the United States and its territories.

In order to effectively protect against such outbreaks, EP needs the help of veterinarians, livestock producers, and state and local governments.

As a livestock producer, here's what you can do to help protect yourself, your neighbors, and the state and nation:

IMMEDIATELY contact your veterinarian or the USDA Area Veterinarian in Charge or your State Veterinarian (contact numbers below), if you notice any of the following symptoms:

Poultry

- Respiratory: sneezing, gasping for air, nasal discharge, coughing
- Digestive: greenish, watery diarrhea
- Nervous: depression, muscular tremors, drooping wings, twisting of head and neck, circling, paralysis
- Partial to complete drop in egg production
- Production of thin-shelled eggs
- Swelling of the tissues around the eyes and in the neck
- Sudden death
- Increased death loss in a flock

Ruminants

- Rising temperatures
- Ruptured blisters (either clear or cloudy fluid discharge)
- Sticky, foamy, stringy saliva
- Reduced feed consumption (perhaps from painful tongue and mouth lesions)
- Lameness with reluctance to move
- Abortions
- Abrupt drop in milk flow
- Low conception rates

Equine

- High fever
- Muscle tremors
- Respiratory distress
- Convulsions
- Sudden death

Cervids (Deer/Elk)

- Weight loss
- Behavioral changes
- Listlessness
- Lowering of head
- Blank facial expression
- Repetitive walking in set patterns

Call your own veterinarian or

State Veterinarian
608-224-4872

USDA Area Veterinarian in Charge
608-270-4000